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SUBJECT: UNIDROIT: MEETING OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

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1. DEPARTMENT NOT IN POSITION TO COMMENT UPON PROPOSALS
REFERRED TO PARAGRAPH 1 (A.) AND (B.) REFTEL UNTIL
MATERIALS REFERRED TO PARAGRAPH 2 REFTEL RECEIVED.

2. CONSEQUENTLY AT MEETING OF FINANCE COMMITTEE ON
MARCH 8 U.S. REPRESENTATIVE SHOULD TAKE POSITION THAT NO
SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION OR DECISIONS ARE POSSIBLE UNTIL
MEMBER STATES HAVE HAD ADEQUATE OPPORTUNITY REVIEW
PROPOSALS AND SUPPORTING MATERIAL.

3. RE PARAGRAPH 3 (H.) WE DO NOT UNDERSTAND HOW USG
CONTRIBUTION COULD INCREASE TO 25 OF BUDGET UNDER ANY
CIRCUMSTANCES IN VIEW STATEMENT PARAGRAPH 3 (D.) THAT
ITALIAN CONTRIBUTION IS TO RISE IN PROPORTION TO INCREASES
PAID BY OTHER MEMBER STATES. IN ANY EVENT UNDER
AUTHORIZING LEGISLATION AS AMENDED (P.L. 92/497) U.S.

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CONTRIBUTION TO UNIDROIT BUDGET CAN NOT REPEAT NOT EXCEED

7 OF TOTAL BUDGET. WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF SEEKING ANY
CHANGE IN THIS LEGISLATION. YOU MAY WISH ADVISE
MATTEUCCI AND GRANIER OF THIS LIMITATION.

4. WE SEE CERTAIN ADVANTAGES IN GRANIER'S PROPOSAL TO
ESTABLISH SUBCOMMITTEE AND SUGGEST YOU ADVISE HIM WE
SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL AND WOULD PARTICIPATE IN ANY MEETINGS.
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